

In re application of Downes et al.

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cancelled solely for the purpose of reducing the issues in order to expedite prosecution of the remaining claims.

No amendments to the claims or specification are submitted herewith, thus the present communication introduces no new matter. Accordingly, entry of this rule 312 amendment is respectfully requested.

In the event any matters remain to be resolved in view of this communication, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned so that this application can proceed to issue without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

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